

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 2656

Introduced by Assembly Member Jones

February 21, 2014

An act to amend Section 13480 of the Business and Professions Code, relating to petroleum.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2656, as introduced, Jones. Petroleum: labeling.

Existing law makes it unlawful to sell specified petroleum products unless a sign or label is posted, as prescribed, that contains specified information relating to the product and its contents.

This bill would make nonsubstantive changes to this provision.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 13480 of the Business and Professions
2 Code is amended to read:
3 13480. (a) It is unlawful for~~any~~ a person to sell~~any~~ a
4 petroleum product referred to in this chapter at~~any~~ a place where
5 petroleum products are kept or stored for sale, unless there is
6 affixed to each container, receptacle, pump, dispenser, and inlet
7 end of the fill pipe of each underground storage tank, from which
8 or into which that product is drawn or poured out for sale or
9 delivery, a sign or label plainly visible consisting of the name of
10 the product, the brand, trademark, or trade name of the product,

1 and, in the case of engine fuel and kerosene, the grade or brand
2 name designation.

3 (b) When the product is oil, as defined by Section 13401, each
4 sign or label shall also have in letters or numerals, plainly visible,
5 the viscosity grade classification as determined in accordance with
6 the SAE International latest standard for engine oil viscosity
7 classification SAE J300 or manual transmission and axle lubricants
8 viscosity classification SAE J306, as applicable, and shall be
9 preceded by the letters “SAE.”

10 (c) When the product is automotive spark-ignition engine fuel,
11 except M-85 and M-100 methanol fuel, there shall be
12 conspicuously displayed on the dispensing device at least one sign
13 or label showing the minimum octane number or antiknock index,
14 as defined in Section 13403, of the product sold therefrom.

15 (d) When the product is a motor fuel consisting of a mixture or
16 premixture of gasoline and oil or gasoline-oxygenate blend and
17 motor oil, there shall be conspicuously displayed on the dispensing
18 device at least one sign or label stating the ratio of gasoline to
19 motor oil or gasoline-oxygenate blend to motor oil.

20 (e) All signs or labels required by this section for retail motor
21 fuel dispensers and containers of more than one gallon capacity
22 shall be in letters and numerals not less than one-half inch (12.70
23 mm) in height. On containers of one gallon or less, the signs or
24 labels shall be in letters and numerals not less than one-fourth inch
25 (6.35 mm) in height and one-sixteenth inch (1.59 mm) in width.

26 (f) The provisions of this section pertaining to octane numbers
27 or antiknock index and motor oil SAE International viscosity
28 number grade shall not apply to products sold for aviation purposes.

29 (g) This section shall apply, with respect to thinners or solvents,
30 only to the sale, delivery, or offer for sale of the products through
31 service stations, garages, and other retail outlets.